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Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on September 28, 2002. The fees for a one-month extension of time for responding are enclosed.

The Examiner found that the present claims are directed to a number of distinct inventions and required restriction to one of seventeen groups of claims. Applicants hereby elect Group XIII, claims 75-81, drawn to a method of identifying an Mrg antagonist, for prosecution on the merits. No further species restriction was required by the Examiner based on election of Group XIII.

Respectfully submitted,

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